

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 An electrophysiology energy treatment device
for treating tissues within a patient's body with
electrical energy comprises an elongate catheter tube
having a distal end insertable into the patient's body.
An electrode is within the catheter tube adjacent the
distal end and locatable within the patient's body, and
an electrolyte fluid flows within the catheter tube for
10 electrically connecting the electrode to the tissues to
be treated within the patient's body. A method of
treating tissues within a patient's body with electrical
energy is also provided. The method comprises the steps
of: providing an energy treatment device having an
15 electrode and a distal tip, the electrode being located
within the patient's body offset proximally of the distal
tip; placing the distal tip within the patient's body
adjacent the tissues to be treated with electrical
energy; energizing the electrode with electrical energy;
20 and electrically connecting the electrode to the tissues
to be treated with an electrolyte fluid flowing from the
electrode to the tissues for treating the tissues with
electrical energy.